

September 24, 2008

The regular meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores was held on Wednesday, September 24, 2008 and called to order by Mayor Ted Linley at 7:04 p.m.

PRESENT WERE: Mayor Ted Linley, Councillors Gord Campbell, Fred Eldner, John Fullerton, David Ratz, Gil Reeves, Archie Roach and Kent Weber.

ALSO PRESENT: Deputy Clerk Beverly Eagleson; Administrative Assistant Pam Pertteli; Paul Cassan, Wishart Law Firm; Jane Armstong; Kevin Armstrong (7:40)

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

08-19-01 THAT we adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held,
K.. Weber Wednesday, September 10, 2008 as circulated.
D. Ratz CARRIED.

Councillor Reeves commented that spring is not required to be capitalized in the Public Works report.

08-19-02 THAT **By-law #08-43**, being a By-law of the Corporation of the
D. Ratz Municipality of Huron Shores to **Adopt the Minutes** of the Council
J. Fullerton Meeting held on Wednesday, September 10, 2008, authorizing the taking
of any action authorized therein and thereby, was read a first, second and
third time and passed in open Council this 24th day of September, 2008.
CARRIED.

ADOPTION OF ACCOUNTS

08-19-03 THAT we approve payment of the General Accounts, excluding items of
F. Eldner Pecuniary Interest, for the period from September 11 to September 24,
D. Ratz 2008 in the amount of **\$311,832.70**. CARRIED.

08-19-04 THAT we approve payment of the Village General Store Account in the
F. Eldner amount of **\$1,330.49**. CARRIED.
D. Ratz

DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS

Mr. **Paul Cassan from the Wishart Law Firm** gave a brief description of the services he can provide the municipality. Examples included Tax Arrears Collection, signage wording, by-law drafting, letter drafting for sensitive circumstances, litigation as well as and Human Resource Law.

Mr. Cassan also made a presentation regarding the role of Councillors as members of a governance board and the importance of following the chain of command from Council policy to staff carrying out work.

GENERAL BUSINESS

8-1. Councillor and Staff Reports

Clerks and Public Works Reports were included in packages.

Mayor Linley attended the **ADMA** meeting on September 20, 2008. Algoma Public Health made a presentation to the members regarding the development of a program where 'used' needles can be safely disposed of. The next ADMA meeting will be held in Blind River.

Councillor Fullerton questioned when **Bob Young** would be returning to assess our progress with relation to staffing requirements. Councillor Ratz commented that there is money in the

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2008 budget to have Bob Young return and suggested that the Human Resource commissioners speak with staff to determine when an appropriate time would be.

Councillor Roach advised Council that **Cameco Corporation** is hosting an Open House on October 1, 2008.

Councillor Fullerton informed Council that there is a 'Meet and Greet' at the **Algoma Manor** on October 9, 2008, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

8-2. East Algoma Chief's, Mayors & Reeves Council meeting held July 3/08 and Sept. 4/08

08-19-05 THAT we receive the minutes of the **East Algoma Chief's, Mayors and Reeves Council** meeting held July 3, 2008 and September 4, 2008, as
G. Reeves circulated. CARRIED.
D. Ratz

8-3. Day & Bright Community Centre & Heritage Board meeting held June 9, 2008

08-19-06 THAT we receive the minutes of the **Day & Bright Community Centre & Heritage Board** meeting held June 9, 2008, as circulated. CARRIED.
F. Eldner
A. Roach

8-4. Fire Department 4x4 Equipment Van Specifications for a Request for Proposal
Staff is authorized to contact the Fire Chief to notify him that the 2008 budget allowance set this year would not cover the costs of the vehicle proposed and recommended the Fire Chief meet with the Council Commissioners to review to consider alternatives for the purchase of an equipment vehicle.

8-5. Public Works Committee meeting held June 13, 2008.

08-19-07 THAT we receive the minutes of the **Public Works Committee** meeting
A. Roach held June 13, 2008, as circulated. CARRIED.
D. Ratz

8-6. Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing – validation order.
Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing has advised that the validation order application is not considered a complete application and as such, this item shall be deferred until all information has been received. Deputy Clerk Eagleson advised that Planning Bill Wierzbicki has been consulted to assist with this process once the application is considered complete.

8-7. to amend By-law #06-48 to extend distance of 50 km/hr. speed limit on Basswood Lake Road.

08-19-08 THAT **By-law #08-44** being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to **Prescribe a Rate of Speed** for Motor Vehicles Traveling on **Basswood Lake Road**, was read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 24th day of September, 2008. CARRIED.
G. Campbell
A. Roach

08-19-09 THAT **By-law #08-44** being a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores to **Prescribe a Rate of Speed** for Motor Vehicles Traveling on **Hendry Street** in Sowerby, was read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council this 24th day of September, 2008. CARRIED.
G. Campbell
A. Roach

Deputy Clerk inquired as to whether a policy has been established for reduced speed limit zones and was advised that a policy has not been struck and, as such, each case is being considered as requests come forward until a policy can be attained.

8-8. Official Plan - Flood Prone Areas

Deputy Clerk reported that the **Flood Damage Reduction Program** surveying and mapping completed circa 1989 for the Iron Bridge area and circa 1987 for the Thessalon area appeared to

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be the most recent work done to establish the flood prone areas for these sections of the Municipality. Council concurred that this mapping should be used for the Official Plan flood prone boundaries until such time as new survey work is undertaken to show any adjustments of the flood prone area. There was brief discussion on considering budgeting for new flood prone mapping in the 2009 municipal budget.

8-9. Nestorville Street Lights

Upon being advised by Great Lakes Power, that poles are being replaced in Nestorville and that the current streetlighting fixtures do not meet current standards and will not withstand transfer to the new poles, Council discussed circa 2001, that those lights would remain for as long as the fixtures could be maintained and repaired. Upon reaching non-repairable state, the fixtures would not be replaced.

08-19-10

G. Reeves

D. Ratz

WHEREAS Great Lakes Power has advised that they will be changing the hydro poles in the Nestorville area in approximately two weeks;

AND WHEREAS Great Lakes Personnel have advised that the Nestorville Streetlighting along Highway 17 no longer meets electrical standards for such fixtures;

AND WHEREAS in the opinion of Great Lakes Personnel, the fixtures have deteriorated to the point that transfer to new poles is in all likelihood not possible with the exception of one new fixture at the Nestorville Bridge which may be transferable with new wiring to connect the light;

AND WHEREAS there is no current agreement with Ministry of Transportation for these lighting fixtures;

AND WHEREAS Council agreed to maintain the lights as long as they could be repaired and maintained without requiring replacement;

NOW THEREFORE, Council regrettably terminates the **Nestorville Streetlighting** along the Highway 17 corridor due to the prohibitive costs anticipated to replace said fixtures with the exception of the one light at the Nestorville Bridge provided the wiring costs to transfer this newer fixture to the new poles is not cost prohibitive and funds can be allocated in the 2008 municipal budget

AND THAT staff communicate Council's regret and advise ratepayers formally serviced by this streetlighting, of the termination of the Highway 17 streetlight service.

CARRIED.

LETTERS & COMMUNICATIONS FOR ACTION

9-1. Canada Brokerlink Financial – Renewal for Group Policy #G3007-355

08-19-11

G. Campbell

K. Weber

THAT we accept the **Renewal for Group Policy # G3007-355** with Co-Operators and Greenshield, administered by Matrix Benefits Services for 2008/09 as outlined in letter dated September 9, 2008 from CBL Financial Inc.

CARRIED.

9-2. Town of Fort Erie – Support Resolution Niagara Health System – Hospital Improvement Plan

9-3. Municipality of Tweed – Support Resolution Request that the Government Reduce Taxes on Petroleum Products

9-4. Ontario Government – **Building Canada Fund** – Communities Component

Council asked staff to review the Highway 17 Alternative Loop proposal formerly prepared for MIII Funding to break out a portion of an approximate \$1 million expenditure of which the Municipality would be responsible for 1/3.

9-5. Jane Armstrong – **Huron Shores' 10th Anniversary Celebration**

Council discussed the proposed event and provided a verbal endorsement of the celebration. Mrs. Armstrong will verify the commitment of tentative committee members and seek committee membership interest from Ward 4. Appointing a Committee of Council for this event to be considered at the October 8, 2008 Council Meeting.

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9-6. Ministry of Natural Resources – Tourism Competitiveness Study

9-7. Kevin Ravnaas - Use of Ward 4 Garage

08-19-12

G. Campbell

A. Roach

THAT Kevin Ravnaas be granted use of the **Ward 4 Garage** for the period from November 1, 2008 to April 30, 2009, at a rental fee of \$60.00 per trailer per month and replacement of oil used in the oil tank;

AND THAT Mr. Ravnaas agree that the Garage remain accessible to Municipal Public Works crew during the rental period;

AND THAT Mr. Ravnaas abide by all health and safety practices and procedures while utilizing the facility and that no welding/cutting be conducted inside the facility;

AND THAT Mr. Ravnaas purchase any necessary insurance.

CARRIED.

LETTERS & COMMUNICATIONS FOR INFORMATION

10-1. Macdonald, Meredith & Aberdeen Additional – Support to Restrict Pedestrian and Bicycle Traffic along the Hwy 17 4-lane

10-2. SAHF – Thank you for Donation Toward the New Hospital Fund

10-3. Dennis Thompson Professional Corporation – Management Letter
Councillor Reeves commented that the Management Letter received from Municipal Auditor Dennis Thompson was very positive regarding efforts and challenges being met by our staff.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INQUIRIES

Councillor Reeves requested that Council give consideration this evening to the presentation of Paul Cassan and deliberate an appointment for Legal Counsel, as contact and communication with previous Counsel held by retainer has become increasingly difficult for Council and staff.

08-19-13

D. Ratz

G. Reeves

WHEREAS it has become increasingly difficult to receive communication from Legal Counsel of the Municipality held on retainer by the Municipality in a timely fashion;

AND WHEREAS Paul Cassan of Wishart Law Firm, by presentation to Council, has qualified and advised of his specialized interests and expertise in Municipal Law;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores secure the services of Solicitor Paul Cassan of **Wishart Law Firm** as principle contact for legal services required by the Corporation.

CARRIED.

There will be a **Federal All Candidates meeting** at Iron Bridge Lions Hall, Thursday, September 25, 2008.

ADJOURNMENT

08-19-14

G. Reeves

K. Weber

THAT we do adjourn at 9:30 p.m.

CARRIED.

MAYOR

CLERK